

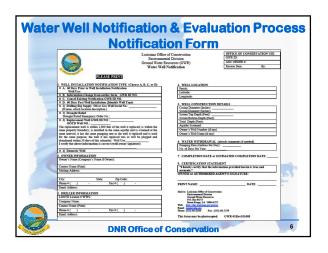
Mr. Jeffrey Jones Assistant Director Environmental Division DNR Office of Conservation Ground Water Resources Program Update Evolution of the Water Well Driller Program Statewide Ground Water Management Program



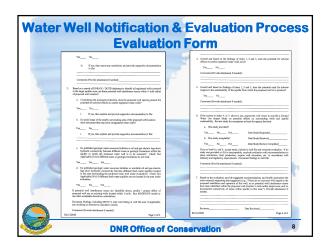
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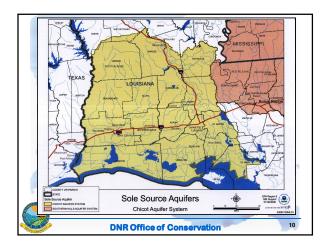
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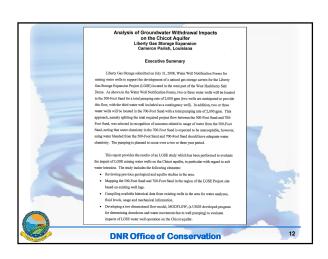
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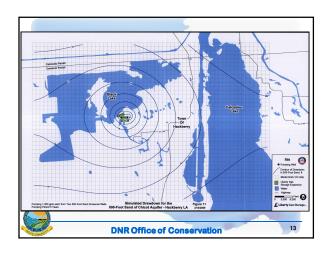


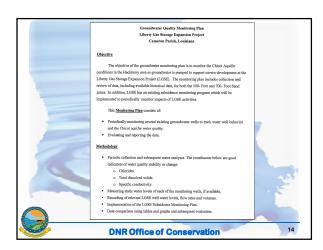


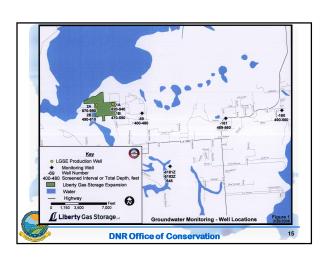


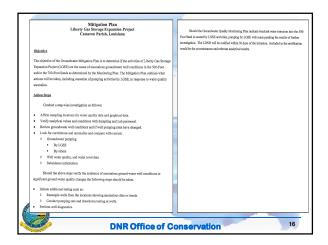


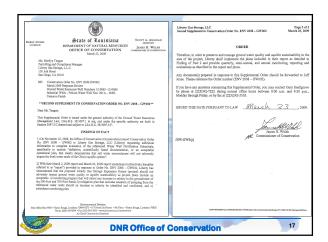




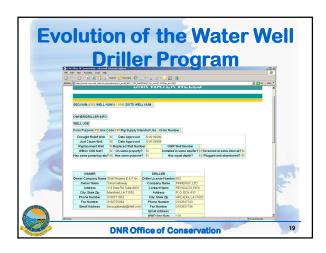








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Introduction and Background

- "Statewide Ground Water Management Plan" -2215-10-04; funded by DHH
- Assistance in Developing the Statewide Water Management Plan in 2002
- Act 49 of the 2003 L.S. addressed surface and ground water management and conservation
- Act 49 mandated development of "Statewide Ground Water Resources Management Program" to evaluate
 - Current and projected demand
 - Ground water use conservation program
 Alternatives to ground water use

 - Incentives for conservation
 - Alternative technologies Education and conservation programs

This plan will address this Program

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Objectives and Goals

Plan for judicious and sustainable use of ground water resources

- Update the baseline conditions of resources and needs
- Develop cost-effective water supply alternatives
- The plan will address

 Reviewing and modifying the current system of ground water use reporting and monitoring

 Developing more streamlined ground water well permitting process

 Developing cost-effective alternatives to ground water

- Developing a net work of aquifers to be used in a sustainable manner

 Development or modification of GIS based database management

Consistency with State's Master Plan for coastal restoration and protection
 Primary goal is to develop a plan that emphasizes preserving the quality and sustainability of the State's ground water resources

Technical Approach

- · The project includes the implementation of nine (9) tasks:
 - Review of historic and current available information
 - Ground water use analysis
 - Review of ground water well prior notification and evaluation procedures
 - Feasibility and recommendations for short term (5 year) and long term (25 year) ground water use
 - Cost benefit analysis and prioritization of alternatives
 - **Funding opportunities**
 - Best management practices and tax incentives
 - Public hearing
- Report preparation



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Task 1: Review of Existing Data

- Existing source and use data are reviewed USGS, institutions, and universities' resources are utilized
- Information is packaged into a synopsis by region and water sources
- consideration of impacts of subsidence and relative sea level rise
 The "whole system analysis" approach will be used



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Task 2: Ground Water Resources Use Analysis

- Analysis will use:
 Pertinent data from Task 1,
 Existing Data Review
- Historic and current trends for population growth and movement
- Historic and projected ground water demands by population and various other sectors
- Data gaps will be indentified and recommendations will be made for parishes and local entities to monitor such vital statistics



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Red River Alluvial Aquifer

Sparta Aquifer System

Task 3: Review of Ground Water Well **Prior Notification Procedure**

- Current procedures will be reviewed upon receipt, review, and evaluation phases
- Recommendations will be made to streamline the process and to evolve better approach to understand or estimate the current demands on aquifer systems
- Opportunities for data base evaluation and on-line data entry for increasing efficiency and accuracy will be evaluated







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Task 4: Feasibility Study...

- Will use ground water availability models

 Maps (regional/aquifer scale) for

 Areas of defined ground water decline, areas of salt water intrusion, potential alternate sources
- Sustainability and ground water quality objectives
 - Ground water use reduction strategies, waste water recycling, mitigation measures

- Recommendations will be based on

 Areas of greatest stress

 Ground water use trends in proposed service areas
- Demographic projections Inhibition of salt water intrusion Unit cost for water treatment
- Preservation of the aquifer systems Education and awareness



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Task 4:Short (5 yr) and Long (25 yr) Term Alternatives

- Plan may recommend development or modification of existing availability models
- Cost-benefit analysis for proposed alternatives will be consistent with DED methods to identify viable alternatives
- Recommendations will include development of ground water level and water quality monitoring program



Task 4:Financial Feasibility Analysis Financial feasibility of alternatives to current ground water production Cost/benefit ratios Prioritization of short and long term alternatives Elements of Financial Feasibility Analysis Calculate complete life cycle cost of each alternative (initial capital costs, O&M, and replacement costs) The costs and revenues will be calculated by comparing the situation with and without the alternatives DNR Office of Conservation

Task 4: ... Financial Feasibility Analysis..

- Each alternative will be compared against the information on potential local, state, and Federal funding sources (Task 6).
 Prioritization of alternatives will depend on the availability of funding
- To assess the financial feasibility of each alternative, the Financial Internal Rate of Return (FIRR) will be compared to the Weighted Average Cost of Capital (WACC)
- Financial analyses will be conducted in real terms (inflation adjusted) in line with standard practices



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Task 4: ... Uncertainty Analysis

- Base case assumptions (anticipated likely values) and actual cost and revenue values will be evaluated
- Sensitivity and risk analysis will be conducted for each alternative as part of the uncertainty analysis



Task 5: Cost-Benefit Analysis and Prioritization Relationship between differing ground water output (alternatives) and their estimated costs will be determined Estimate of each alternative's cost with its estimated output (benefit), its Average Incremental Cost (AIC) can be calculated Supply curve will be created showing the amounts and costs of water supplied by alternative sources A list of short and long term alternatives will be developed based on financial feasibility, sensitivity, risk, cost-benefit ratio, other factors (including DED methods)

Task 6: Funding Opportunities

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- Federal, State, and local funding sources will be explored
- Funding sources may be explored for:
 - Water treatment
 - Transmission
 - Distribution and storage for surface water supplies
 - Reclaimed water processing and reuse
 - Other



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Task 6: Funding Opportunities...

- Funds that are targeted towards achieving water conservation include:
 - Build America Bonds (BABs)
 - WRDA 1992 funds (Environmental Infrastructure)
- Potential Funding Sources, examples:
- USDA/Rural Utility Service Grants
 - DHH/EPA/LDEQ
 - Louisiana Capital Outlay Program
 - Louisiana CDBG
 - Clean Water State Revolving Funds
 - And many others

Task 6: Funding Opportunities...

- Innovative programs will be evaluated such as:
 - Water Independence Now (WIN) program
 - Applicable State Ground Water Policies
 - Texas ground water conservation district rules and permitting programs
 - Ground Water Replenishment Program, etc.



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Task 7: BMPs and Tax Incentives

- Best Management Practices (nationwide, state, and regional) for tax incentives to reduce the cost for implementing management measures
 - Some incentives are designed to encourage private sector participation
 - Tax incentives relating to promoting conservation and water reuse
 - Popular nationwide programs will be explored
- Focus will be on incentives that balances fiscal considerations, efficiency, and environmental concerns
- · Intense water use sectors will be targeted first



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Task 8: Public Hearing

- · Four (4) public hearings will be held
- Presentations will focus on technical and scientific approaches for water management
- Goals of these hearings:
 - Introduction of projects and processes
 - Build relationships and conflict resolution
 - Identify stakeholder issues and concerns, and opportunities

Task 9: Draft and Final Report

- Draft report of findings will be submitted to LDNR for input and comments
- Public comments will be received and incorporated
- An executive summary and final report will be prepared



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Draft Plan Development Commission Member Workshops

Provided GWRC / GWMATF membership and interested parties additional opportunity for input and involvement in the development of the draft plan.

Written Questionnaire
 Alexandria, LA

16 Responses Sept. 22nd & 29th

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